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Borman interchange construction restricts lane, closes ramp

Restrictions and closures occurring at night to have minimal impact on traffic

GARY, Ind. – The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) will temporarily restrict lanes and close a ramp over the next week while construction continues on the Major Moves New Construction I-80/94 (the Borman Expressway) and I-65 interchange improvement project.

From midnight to 9 a.m. July 7, the eastbound right lane of I-80/94 – east of State Road 53 (Broadway) – will be restricted while a concrete barrier wall is moved. Two through lanes of traffic on the eastbound Borman will still be open to traffic.

From 9 p.m. July 9 to 5 a.m. July 10, the same lane of eastbound I-80/94 will be closed as temporary markings are placed on a newly constructed east-south ramp lane, and then traffic is moved to it. That will allow work to begin on removing and replacing the existing east-south ramp lanes.

From midnight to 5 a.m. July 10-13, the ramp from northbound I-65 to westbound I-80/94 will be closed during demolition of the northbound I-65 bridge over the ramp. Message boards will direct traffic to take the posted wide load detour to reach westbound I-80/94. The detour directs traffic to take I-80/94 east for approximately 2 miles to State Road 51 (S.R. 51) north to westbound I-80/94 via the clover leaf ramps.

The speed limit has been reduced to 45 mph on the interstates and to 40 mph on the ramps through the work zone. INDOT continues to ask for public patience and cooperation, and reminds drivers to use caution and keep in mind worker safety while driving through construction zones.

Major Moves fully funds a decade of critical highway projects in Indiana. When Major Moves is complete in 2015, more than 200 new construction and 200 major highway preservation projects will have been built. Major Moves capitalizes on Indiana's strategic location at the *Crossroads of America* by building a superior road infrastructure. This innovative plan will bring jobs to the Hoosier State and leave a legacy for Indiana to be a global leader in distribution and logistics.

For more information, visit the Borman Expressway Web site at
<http://www.in.gov/dot/div/specialprojects/borman/index.html>.

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